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## EIGHT GIRLS VICTIMS OF PANIC

Trampled to Death in a Philadelphia Cigar Factory.

THREE PROBABLY FATALLY INJURED.

An Accident to a Deaf-and-Dumb Janitor Causes a Stampede—Twelve Hundred Persons Were at Work in the Building When the Janitor Was Caught by the Elevator and Hurt.

Philadelphia, (Special).—An unfortunate accident to a deaf and dumb boy, Isador Bacuss, was directly responsible for the death of eight girls, the fatal injury of three others and the serious injury of more than 40 employed in the cigar factory of Harburger, Homan & Co., a branch of the American Tobacco Company, at Tenth street and Washington avenue.

The building in which the disaster occurred is five stories high, of brick and extends an entire block. Twelve hundred persons were at work there at the time of the accident, 90 percent of whom were girls ranging in age from 12 years upward.

The trouble began on the fourth floor. Bacuss, who was janitor of the building, started for the fifth floor for a ball of twine. The elevator was at the top of the shaft and Bacuss pulled the rope to bring it down. He opened the door leading to the shaft and leaned forward to see where the carriage was. As he did so the elevator, which was descending slowly, struck him across the back of the neck, pinning his head between the elevator and the floor.

A stock boy released Bacuss and cried for help. The foreman rushed from the building to call an ambulance and almost immediately there was a panic among the employees. Some of the younger girls fainted, while others, not being able to control their feelings, cried:

"Fire!"

There was a mad rush for the stairway leading into Tenth street. The girls plunged down the narrow staircase until they reached a bend in the exit between the second and third floors.

In their earnestness to escape the frightened leaders fell. Others immediately following tripped over the struggling mass, and in less than a minute there were hundreds of girls scrambling in the passageway. The shrieks and screams of the terror-stricken could be heard for a block or more.

In the excitement an alarm of fire was turned in, but before the engines could reach the scene several of the girls had rushed to the windows and jumped to the street, a distance of over 50 feet. Helen 'Olini, one of those who jumped, was almost instantly killed.

When the firemen and policemen arrived every effort was made to quiet the terrorized girls. The firemen rushed up the stairway and begged them to be calm, telling them that there was absolutely no danger, but the sight of the firemen seemed only to make the panic worse.

The work of rescuing the girls from the windows was necessarily tedious. They were so excited that they did not seem to understand the pleadings of the firemen. At nearly every window of the huge structure were girls screaming and crying for help. Many were so excited that it was with the greatest difficulty they were prevented from jumping from the building, notwithstanding that there was not a sign of a fire and their rescue seemed only the work of a few moments.

### Town Destroyed by Fire.

Findlay, O., (Special).—Castar, an oil town of 500 inhabitants, 20 miles north of here, was totally destroyed by fire, the origin of which cannot be learned owing to the fact that telephone and telegraph wires are broken and all communication to the town is shut off. A high wind was blowing, which prevented any possible chance of saving the town. Aid was sent from surrounding towns but to no avail. The loss, which will exceed \$500,000, includes nine stores and scores of dwellings.

### Fatal Revolver Duel.

El Paso, Tex., (Special).—"Sheeney" Harris was shot through the heart here by Clarence Wolverton, a special policeman, in a revolver duel in a gambling hall. Wolverton was wounded in the hand. Five years ago, when Wolverton was chief of police of Colorado City, Col., he ran Harris out of town, and Harris, it is said, threatened to kill him on sight. The coroner's jury acquitted Wolverton.

### Finance of the Ship Combine.

New York, (Special).—There is the very best authority for the statement that the \$50,000,000 syndicate which is to underwrite the International Steamship Company will receive in return securities of the companies as follows: Fifty million dollars in new five percent bonds. Two million five hundred thousand dollars new preferred stock. Twenty-five million dollars new common stock. The syndicate will continue operative until January, 1904, unless previously dissolved by the managers.

## SUMMARY OF THE LATEST NEWS.

### Domestic.

Four hundred employees of the Big Four Railroad shops at Bellefontaine, Ohio, have signed an agreement to fight the Beef Trust by not eating beef for 30 days, beginning May 2.

It is reported that R. G. Erwin will be offered the presidency of the Atlantic Coast Line as soon as the consolidation of that company and the Plant system has been effected.

Mrs. Adeline Sage, a Detroit woman, crazed by the death of her child, poured kerosene over her clothing and then ignited it. She was burned to death.

The Beef Trust is beginning to feel the effect of the boycott, and men are beginning to be laid off at the various plants.

A woman who gives her name as Mrs. Mary Robbins is detained in Chicago on suspicion that she is the wife of Leutger, the sausagemaker. The woman was supposed to have been murdered. She denies the alleged identity.

Admiral Crowninshield, on the Illinois, will sail from the Brooklyn Navy Yard to attend the coronation of King Edward VII. He will be in command of the European Squadron.

An explosion occurred on the submarine boat Fulton at Delaware Breakwater while en route to Norfolk, Va. Several persons were injured, but none seriously.

The sum of \$75,000 was divided among the employees of the Metropolitan National Bank of Chicago, which has been merged with the First National.

As the result of an assault by negro highwaymen J. H. Flaherty, of Norfolk, Va., may lose his life or his mind.

William P. Waite, the negro who made a confession to Pinkerton detectives that he murdered Mrs. Collins at her home, near Portville, Del., now denies that he killed the woman, and says the detectives "forced him to tell a lie." The detectives say they are confident they can prove his guilt.

A magnificent silver service was presented to Admiral Schley in Memphis, where he is the guest of the city.

The Metropolitan National Bank of Chicago, which will be merged with the First National of that city, has distributed \$75,000 among its employees, the gifts ranging from \$50 to \$15,000.

Witnesses testified in the court-martial trial of Brigadier-General Jacob H. Smith, in Manila, that the natives of Samar were unusually treacherous and that boys fought in the ranks.

James Hockenberry was arrested on the charge of being one of the four masked men who terrorized and robbed the Misses Hensch in Liberty Valley, Pennsylvania.

The submarine boat Fulton started on a trial ocean trip from New York to Washington, and made a trip of 10 miles under water along the Jersey coast.

Sensational circumstances surround the abduction of little Margaret Taylor in Cincinnati by her grandmother and aunts.

Ex-Councilman Charles Krats, of St. Louis, wanted in that city for corrupt practices, was arrested in Mexico.

The United Copper Company was incorporated in Trenton, N. J., with a capital stock of \$8,000,000.

In a pistol duel between policemen and burglars in Chicago one of the thieves was killed.

A deal has been arranged by which the Heinze copper properties in Montana have been taken over by the United Copper Company. The stock is capitalized at \$50,000,000.

Claiborne Widener, 16 years old, who frightfully assaulted the five-year-old daughter of Rice Ford, at Damascus, Va., was captured and jailed at Abingdon, Virginia.

Mrs. Kate Edwards and Samuel Greason, convicted of the murder of the woman's husband near Stouchsburg, Pa., were sentenced to death.

### Foreign.

J. Pierpont Morgan notified the White Star Line that he would accept the agreement whereby the White Star Line enters the shipping combine. It was stated that Mr. Morgan's firm would receive £2,500,000 for organizing and financing the concern.

The federal troops, under General Gomez and General Ferrero, drove the Colombian insurgents out of Chiriqui Grande, the loss on the government side being 60 killed or wounded.

Princess Radziwill was convicted in the Supreme Court in Car's Town of forging the late Cecil Rhodes' name to a note, and was sentenced to two years in the House of Correction.

The various Boer leaders left the different districts to lay before the burghers in the field the peace proposals; then there is to be a general meeting at Ver-eining.

The bill for the sale of the Danish West Indies was amended in the Folketing to make the cession to the United States conditional that the inhabitants of the islands declare in favor of it by a plebiscite.

The trial in Rome of Muscolino, the Italian brigand, who has murdered at least fourteen people, is one of the most remarkable on record. The murderer tries to force the judge to adjourn the court.

The Dowager Empress and the Emperor of China returned to Peking from a pilgrimage to the Eastern tombs. Again the Dowager exchanged greetings with the foreign ladies on the wall.

## SURRENDERS IN THE PHILIPPINES

Insurgent Leaders and Their Commands in Hands of Americans.

TAKEN PRISONERS BY GEN. GRANT.

Captain L. W. V. Kennon, of the Sixth Infantry, reports from the island of Negros the surrender of the Ladrone leader Rufo, with 158 Officers and Men of His Command, Together With 12 Guns.

Manila, (By Cable).—Gen. Frederick D. Grant's expedition in the gunboats Baseo and Florida, several steam launches and lighters, has ascended the Gandara river, in the Island of Samar, and has brought the Filipino General, Guevarra, and his entire command as prisoners down to the coast.

Guevarra's immediate command consists of Rafael Sebastian, 39 other officers, 180 men and 161 rifles.

Three hundred natives, with 131 rifles, are expected daily to arrive at Catbalogan, Samar, to surrender.

At Sulat, Samar, 3,000 bolomen, 28 of them armed with rifles, surrendered.

Guevarra succeeded General Lukban in command of the Filipino forces in Samar when the latter was captured last February.

Capt. L. W. V. Kennon, of the Sixth Infantry, reports from the Island of Negros the surrender of the native leader Rufo, with 158 officers and men of his command, together with 12 rifles, 140 bolos, 7 spears and a few pistols and daggers. This surrender means the opening of the whole southern coast of Negros. Next to Papa Isio, Rufo was the most important native chief on the island. He promises to force Papa Isio to surrender.

At a farewell banquet here to the officers of the Ninth Infantry, acting Civil Governor Luke E. Wright paid a glowing tribute to the military forces. He said the army under circumstances of surprising difficulty had paved the way for the work of the civil authorities, and that only a few cases of friction between the two branches of government had occurred. General Chaffee, whose opinion might at times have differed from that of the civil authorities, had been, Governor Wright said, a loyal supporter of civil rule.

### FIVE KILLED IN POWDER MILL.

All the Bodies Torn Into Bits Excepting One—Buildings Wrecked.

Shenandoah, Pa., (Special).—By the explosion of the upper powder mill of the Shenandoah Powder Co., at Krebs Station, about four miles from here, five employees were instantly killed and all the buildings of the plant were blown to pieces.

It will probably never be known what caused the explosion, as all the men employed about the magazine were killed. Not a trace of any of the bodies has been found, with the exception of that of Wolf, whose remains were picked up some distance from the scene of the explosion terribly mangled.

It was at first thought that Ruppert had escaped, but it was learned later that he, too, had been killed.

Oliver Mumme, who was employed in the charcoal house, said the first explosion, which was slight, occurred in that building and communicated to the magazine.

### Not Implicated in Goebel Murder.

Frankfort, Ky., (Special).—The jury in the case of Berry Howard, on trial as the alleged principal in the Goebel assassination, brought in a verdict of no guilty. The jury stood ten to two for acquittal on the first ballot and was unanimous on the second. Berry Howard is the second to be acquitted in the long list of those charged with complicity in the murder of William Goebel. The other one acquitted was Capt. Garrett D. Ripley, of Henry county, who was tried last year. Those convicted and serving life sentences are ex-Secretary of State Caleb Powers and James Howard, each tried twice, and Henry Yount, who accepted life sentence on his first conviction.

### Morgan's Costly Bids.

New York, (Special).—The antique Bible bound in gold, the corners set with precious stones, and owned by J. Pierpont Morgan, was passed by the custom house authorities here free of duty. The book was held up at the custom-house until an investigation could be made. It was passed on the ground that it was a manuscript and the precious stones part of the bindings. Mr. Morgan set the cost of the book at \$45,000.

### May Postpone Fair.

Washington, (Special).—The report that the St. Louis World's Fair would be postponed until 1904 may be confirmed in the House of Representatives this week by an amendment to the sundry civil bill providing for the postponement until 1904. It is the intention of the managers of the fair to invite both great political parties to hold their national conventions in St. Louis in 1904.

## LIVE NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS.

### Post-Check Currency Scheme.

The committee of the government officials appointed by the Postmaster General and the Secretary of the Treasury to consider the subject of post-check currency, gave a hearing to the advocates of a bill to provide a system of postal currency recently introduced by Representative Gardiner, of Michigan. Transmitting small sums through the Mr. C. W. Post, the originator of the plan, made a statement outlining it, and setting forth the needs of the business world for a more convenient method of transmitting small sums through the mails. He said that, in case of the adoption of the idea, all rights under the patents would be assigned to the government free of all cost.

Representative Gardiner advocated the favorable consideration of the measure and its provisions were further explained by Attorney D. E. Fox, who drafted it. The bills provide that all \$1, \$2 and \$5 bills, except national bank notes, shall have blank lines upon their faces so that they may be converted at once into a check payable to a named payee, to be cashed at the postoffice named, and for the issuance of similar bills of the denominations of 5, 10, 25 and 50 cents. A two-cent stamp is affixed and canceled on the dollar denominations, and a one-cent stamp on the fractional bills as a fee to the government.

### Philippines Want Relief.

Tariff reductions for Philippine sugar is now sought by the inhabitants of the Island of Negros.

Acting Secretary of War Sanger has transmitted to Congress a message which points out that unless relief be granted the people of Negros will be hopelessly ruined and starvation and disease will stalk among them. There is no desire on the part of the Administration to complicate the project for Cuban relief by urging immediate action in behalf of the Philippines. At the same time, the message showed the prevalence of such great distress that he deemed it desirable to lay it before Congress. The message is from the President of the Assembly of Presidents of Negros. Disease among men and beasts, torrential rains, scarcity of labor, expensive transportation, the low price of sugar and the high price of other articles of prime necessity, are a few of the causes advanced for a tariff reduction on Philippine sugar. The island desires that this reduction be at least 75 per cent.

### Food Adulteration.

Mr. McCumber (N. D.), chairman of the Committee on Manufactures, addressed the Senate on the bill "To prevent the adulteration, misbranding and imitations of foods, beverages, candies, drugs and condiments in the District of Columbia and the territories."

He declared that the extent of the adulteration and misbranding of food products was appalling. The laws, he said, severely punished the stamping of lead as money. That was counterfeiting, and the man who should advocate the repeal of the law against counterfeiting of money would be regarded as insane. Yet dust or mud was stamped as flour and glucose as honey. The one wrong was no greater than the other.

The amount of deleterious food products placed upon the market each year, Mr. McCumber said, was valued at fully \$1,700,000,000, while the total amount of adulterated food products each year was nearly \$4,000,000,000.

### To Change Inauguration Day.

Representative De Armond, of Missouri, introduced a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution making the term of the President and Vice-President begin on the first Thursday of April, instead of March 4, and fixing the second Thursday of January as the time for the assembling of Congress, beginning with the Sixtieth Congress.

### More Oklahoma Lands to Indian.

The House Committee on Indian Affairs reported a bill opening to settlement 400,000 acres of the Kiowa, Comanche and Apache lands in Oklahoma. The opening is to occur within three months after the law goes into effect and the lands are to be taken under the general provision of the homestead laws.

### Chinese Exclusion Bill.

The conferees on the Chinese Exclusion bill decided to report a disagreement to each house. The point of difference is the date as to when the law shall extend, the House contending for an indefinite period and the Senate being equally firm in insisting that the law shall not last beyond the life of the treaty.

### West Point's Centennial.

West Point Military Academy will celebrate its centennial during commencement week in June. President Roosevelt will speak and Gen. Horace Porter, Ambassador to France, will be the orator of the day. It is expected that numerous veterans of several wars will be present. The academy opened in March, 1802, with 5 officers and 10 cadets. At present the full authorized attendance is 511.

## NAVAL OFFICERS SENT TO PRISON

American Seamen Who Were Arrested for Resisting Police of Venice.

MAY BE TRIED BY COURT-MARTIAL.

Capt. Robert F. Wynne, Commanding the Marine Guard of the Cruiser; an Assistant Surgeon and Lieutenant Doddridge and a Marine Will Spend Several Months in an Italian Prison for Their Conduct.

Venice, Italy, (By Cable).—All the members of the crew of the U. S. cruiser Chicago arrested for disorderly conduct here have been sentenced to terms of imprisonment ranging from three to four months each.

Capt. Robert F. Wynne, commanding the marine guard of the Chicago; Robert E. Ledbetter, assistant surgeon of the Chicago; Lieut. John S. Doddridge, of the Chicago, and a marine named Wilfred Langley, who were arrested on the charge of disorderly conduct, were brought up at the San Marco Police Court here. Captain Wynne was sentenced to four months and ten days' imprisonment. The other prisoners were sentenced to three months' imprisonment. All the prisoners were sentenced to pay costs and damages.

At their trial in the San Marco Police Court the prisoners admitted they were intoxicated when the disorders occurred and pleaded that they acted in self-defense when mobbed by the crowd. The public prosecutor demanded a sentence of seven months' imprisonment for Assistant Surgeon Ledbetter and sentences of six months' imprisonment for the others.

It is understood the prisoners will pay the costs of the trial and compensate the persons who sustained injuries as a result of their disorderly conduct. Two of the injured persons claim \$750 (\$800) each.

### MILLIONS FOR COTTON MEN.

\$75,000,000 Increase on Crop Since Last September.

New York, (Special).—It is estimated that \$75,000,000 has been added to the value of cotton grown in the United States since September last as a result of the steady advance in prices, covering a period of five months. The total value of the crop this year is estimated at \$405,000,000, on the basis of production of 10,000,000 bales.

By leaps and bounds the price of cotton has risen 2 1/2 cents a pound in the Southern markets since last October, when estimates of the growing crops were first put forth. This means a sheer increase of \$10.25 a bale. The growers, of course, will not receive the full benefit of this advance, but advances from the South indicate that cotton has been closely held, and it is believed that for each bale sold the planters will receive an average of \$7.50 in excess of the prices which prevailed last fall, or \$75,000,000 more for the crop of 10,000,000 bales than had been anticipated.

### Oom Paul May Visit Us.

The Hague, (By Cable).—The report published in Paris that President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, is coming to Europe to consult with Mr. Cruger, is entirely without foundation. On the other hand, it is true that the Boer agents in America are renewing their entreaties that Mr. Cruger visit the United States next June. He will probably comply with these requests if sufficient pressure is exercised, although he has often personally expressed his dislike of this plan.

### Another Trust Formed.

Detroit, (Special).—The manufacturers of car and locomotive brake beams have formed a trust. The promoters are Berry Brothers, of Detroit, owners of the Monarch Brake Beam Company. It is understood that the capital of the company is to be \$5,000,000, and that the trust will be incorporated under the laws of New Jersey. The headquarters of the company will be in New York.

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